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Vulcan Materials Company (VMC) and Southwest Gulf Railroad (SGR) Chronology of Public Contacts Relative to Proposed Rail Line Between the Proposed Medina County Quarry and a Connection with the UP Line Near Dunlay, Texas

STB Finance Docket No. 34284

Time	Activity
August 1999	VMC negotiates and secures leases on quarry and plant site properties.
October 1999	Meeting with Medina County Commissioner Royce Hartmann.
November -December 1999 Meetings with three landowners along proposed rail route.	
January 2000	Meetings with several landowners along proposed rail route and with local residents
	Meetings with Medina County business leaders
February 2000	Attended public meeting of newly formed Medina County Environmental Action Association (MCEAA).
	Meeting with Medina County Commissioner Royce Hartmann.
	Meeting with Hondo Area Business Group, (Chamber of Commerce), including Hondo Mayor Jim Barden, who on November 2002 was elected as Medina County Judge, replacing David Montgomery
	Meeting with Medina County Judge David Montgomery.
	Meeting with landowner along proposed rail route.
	Meeting with State Representative Tracy King.

March 2000 Meetings with landowners along proposed rail route and area

resident.

President of MCEAA given tour of existing Vulcan quarry and

rail loading operations in adjacent Bexar County

Meeting with Texas Department of Transportation local officials.

April 2000 Presented information on proposed rail line and quarry to Medina

County Republican Men's Club.

May 2000 Presented information on the proposed rail line and quarry

to Castroville Chamber of Commerce.

Meeting with landowner along proposed rail route.

October 2000 Presented additional information on the rail line and the

project to Castroville Chamber of Commerce

November 2000 Meeting with landowner along proposed rail route

January 2001 Meetings with landowners along proposed rail route.

Presented information on the rail line and the quarry to the

Edwards Aguifer Authority.

February 2001 Meeting with area landowner.

March 2001 Meeting with area landowner.

April 2001 Provided tour of quarry project site and proposed rail line corridor

to U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Commenced Biological Assessment/Endangered Species Surveys

for quarry site and rail corridor.

May 2001 Meeting with Schweers Historical Association members (Quihi

area historical association group)

Meeting with Medina County Judge David Montgomery.

June 2001 Presented information on the rail line and the quarry to Medina

Electric COOP.

Provided tour of Vulcan quarry and related rail operations in August 2001

adjacent Bexar and Uvalde Counties to group of Castroville and

Ouihi area residents.

Meeting with Schweers Historical Association. October 2001

Submitted Biological Assessment Report for both the quarry December 2001

project site and rail corridor to the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service.

Meeting with U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service to discuss Biological February 2002

Assessment.

Second Endangered Species Biological Field Surveys March 2002

Meeting with staff of Congressman Henry Bonilla. May 2002

Meeting with Schweers Historical Association **June 2002**

Responded to comments on the Biological Assessment from **July 2002**

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Albuquerque Office.

Attended Schweers Historical Association's Open House in Quihi. December 2002

Provided update to U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service January 2003

Telephone discussion with U.S. Army Corp of Engineers (Fort February 2003

Worth office) concerning rail crossing of Quihi Creek.

Meeting with State Senator Frank Madla (represents Medina March 2003

County).

Meeting with State Representative Robert Puente, Chairman of the

Texas House Natural Resources Committee.

Meeting with State Representative Timoteo Garza (Rep. Garza was elected in Nov. 2002, as the new State Representative for Medina County, replacing state representative Tracy King).

Meeting with newly elected Medina County Judge Jim Barden (formerly Mayor of Hondo).

Third Endangered Species Biological Field Survey

In addition to the above listed contacts, Vulcan Materials Company has, over the course of the rail project, responded to the numerous requests of individual Medina

County residents and the media for information related to the proposed rail line. More details on these contacts and on the meetings and other contacts described above are available should these be needed.

Further, there have been several articles on the proposed rail line and quarry in the local press. We will supply copies of these articles under separate cover.